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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 808

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Dr. A. Frank Glass on the occasion of his retirement as President of Motlow State Community College.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Dr. A. Frank Glass is one such estimable person who has served with probity and integrity for 27 years at Motlow State Community College, the last 15 as its President; and

WHEREAS, born May 10, 1942 in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, Frank Glass graduated from Osceola High School in Kissimmee, Florida in 1960; he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 1964 and a Master of Arts degree in 1965, both from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, military service interrupted his education from 1965-68, when he served with valor in Vietnam as a helicopter pilot, attaining the rank of Captain in the U.S. Army; he was awarded the Army Aviation Badge, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Air Medal with Ten Oak Leaf Clusters, the Bronze Star and the National Defense Medal; and

WHEREAS, returning to Middle Tennessee State University after leaving military service, he earned a Doctor of Arts degree in 1973; while at MTSU, he served as Assistant Principal at Bradley School in the City of Murfreesboro from 1968-69, worked as Textbook Manager at MTSU from 1969-70, served as Director of Admissions from 1970-71, Acting Dean of Admissions and Records from 1971-73, and Dean of Admissions and Records from 1973-75; and

WHEREAS, in 1975, Dr. Glass left MTSU to accept the position of Dean of Instruction at Motlow State Community College, serving in that role until 1978; he then served in succession as Dean of Academic Affairs from 1978-1980, Dean of the College from 1980-87, and, since 1987, as President of Motlow State Community College; and

WHEREAS, during his outstanding career in higher education administration, Dr. Glass served on the following MTSU committees: Academic Advisement, Academic Vice-President Advisory Search; Administrative Computer, University Appeals, University Communications and University Curriculum; he held membership in the American, Southern, and Tennessee Associations of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, the American Association of General and Liberal Studies, the American Association of Higher Education, the MTSU Committee to Formulate Grant Proposal to the Lilly Foundation, the MTSU Graduate Council, the Middle Tennessee Personnel Guidance Association, Kappa Alpha Fraternity as a member and Faculty Advisor, and Phi Delta Kappa; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Glass has also served on many Tennessee Board of Regents Committees, often as Chairman or Co-Chairman; he has served on the Tennessee ACT Policy Committee, as a member of the Tennessee Personnel Guidance Association, the Tennessee Higher Education Commission Program Policy Advisory Committee, the Advisory Committee of the 1994 Governor's Conference for a Drug Free Tennessee, as a Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commissioner from 1997-2002 and as a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Executive Council from 1998-2001; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Glass is an active and important part of his community, participating in numerous civic organizations and holding office in many; he serves on the Board of Directors of American City Bank, and lends his support to efforts promoting business and industry; he was the recipient of the Gold Knight and the Silver Knight of Management Awards, given by the Arnold Chapter of the National Management Association in 1998 and 1993, respectively, and was named Outstanding Young Man of the Year by the Murfreesboro Jaycees in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Glass exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; he is grateful for the love and support of his wife, Katherine, his sons, Joey and Jonathan, and his twin grandchildren, Justin and MacKenzie; and

WHEREAS, an active and committed member of the First United Methodist Church in Tullahoma, Dr. Glass served as a Sunday school Teacher from 1992-95, as a member of the Administrative Board from 1992 to the present, and as a member of the Education Committee from 1993 to the present; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Dr. Glass has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his peers, faculty, and students alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we express our profound thanks to Dr. A. Frank Glass for his 15 years of exemplary service as President of Motlow State Community College and extend to him our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.